

# National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior

Superintendent's Compendium
Of Designations, Closures, Permit
Requirements and Other
Restrictions Imposed Under
Discretionary Authority.

Women's Rights National Historical Park 136 Fall Street Seneca Falls, NY 13148

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Date

In accordance with regulations and the delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations ("36 CFR"), Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, authorized by Title 16 United States Code, Section 3, the following provisions apply to all lands and waters administered by the National Park Service, within the boundaries of [INSERT NAME OF PARK]. Unless otherwise stated, these regulatory provisions apply in addition to the requirements contained in 36 CFR, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7.

Written determinations, which explain the reasoning behind the Superintendent's use of discretionary authority, as required by Section 1.5(c), appear in this document identified by italicized print.

# 36 CFR §1.5 – VISITING HOURS, PUBLIC USE LIMITS, CLOSURES, AND AREA DESIGNATIONS FOR SPECIFIC USES OR ACTIVITIES

(a)(1) The following visiting hours, public use limits, and closures are established:

### Visiting Hours:

- The Visitor Center is open Wednesday through Sunday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Other
  public buildings are open as scheduled. Information on hours of operation and tours at
  the Stanton House, Wesleyan Chapel, and M'Clintock House are available at the
  Visitor Center, posted on the website and are updated when the schedules change.
- Declaration Park and landscapes at the Stanton House, Chamberlain House, M'Clintock House, and Hunt House are open dawn to dusk.
- All public buildings are closed in observance of the following federal holidays: New Year's Day (January 1), Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day (December 25) and winter holidays, Martin Luther King, Jr. birthday and President's Day.

The visiting hours were determined to be in the best interests of the park and are necessary for the proper management of the park.

Public Use Limits -- Pursuant to §1.5(d) to implement a public use limit, the Superintendent may establish a permit, registration, or reservations system:

 No more than 75 persons may occupy the Guntzel Theater, located on the first floor of the visitor center, at one time. • The limits are established to protect the lives of visitors and are the minimum restrictions necessary to achieve such protection.

### Closures:

- All construction sites are closed to the public.
- The maintenance shop and related areas are closed to the public.
- All or portions of the park may be closed to the public when it is necessary to protect the public from unsafe conditions or to protect park resources from irreversible damage. Signs will be posted to announce such temporary closures.
- Park hours of operation may be adjusted at the discretion of the Superintendent for various reasons including but not limited to operational needs and requirements, visitor, and employee safety, and special events and/or permits. Extended hours will only occur with approval from the Superintendent.

#### **Unmanned Aircraft**

Launching, landing, or operating an unmanned aircraft from or on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service within the boundaries of Women's Rights National Historical Park is prohibited except as approved in writing by the Superintendent.

<u>Definition</u>: The term "unmanned aircraft" means a device that is used or intended to be used for flight in the air without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the device, and the associated operational elements and components that are required for the pilot or system operator in command to operate of control the device (such as cameras, sensors, communication links). This term includes all types of devices that meet this definition (e.g. model airplanes, quadcopters, drones) that are used for any purpose, including for recreation or commerce.

<u>Determination</u>: Until the NPS can determine whether specific uses of unmanned aircraft are appropriate and will not cause unacceptable impacts on park resources and values, Women's Rights National Historical Park is closed to the use of these devices. The use of unmanned aircraft within the boundaries of Women's Rights National Historical Park has the potential to harm visitors, disturb wildlife, impact viewsheds, cause excessive noise, and interfere with other visitors' enjoyment of the area. This closure is being implemented as an interim measure while this new use can be properly evaluated. A less restrictive approach is not appropriate at this time due to the impacts the devices could potentially present to visitor safety, park values, and to park resources. The interim closure will safeguard these values while the NPS considers how to address this new use on a long term basis.

NPS Management Policies (1.5) require Park Superintendents to use caution when a park is confronted with a new park use such as unmanned aircraft. This type of activity is completely foreign to the historic nature that the park tries to present in order to interpret the historic setting of this park. Less restrictive measures will not suffice due to the historically inaccurate presence of motorized flying objects in the vicinity of the park visitor center and sites and the noise that they may produce.

This closure will prevent conflict among visitor use activities while maintaining the primary purpose of the park: to preserve the location, resources, and stories associated with the political, and cultural events that occurred at and around the site of Women's Rights

National Historical Park and to provide opportunities for visitor understanding, appreciation and stewardship.

These closures are established to protect the lives of visitors and are the minimum restrictions necessary to achieve such protection.

The park is closed to the following activities:

- Sunbathing
  - This activity is found to be incompatible with the intended nature of the park's sites
- Camping
  - At this time the park does not have adequate or safe facilities to allow camping to occur.

# (a)(2) The following areas are designated for a specific use or activity and/or the following conditions or restrictions are imposed on a specific use or activity:

Areas Designated for a Specific Use or Activity and conditions and Restrictions on Specific Uses or Activities:

### Picnicking

 Picnicking is allowed only at the Chamberlain property, Declaration Park, and the benches at the rear of the Visitor Center. See 36 CFR § 2.11 for more information on picnicking regulations.

This activity is limited to these areas so as to minimize the intrusion it may impose on other visitors' enjoyment and other uses of the park.

#### Fishing

- Fishing is only allowed at the Chamberlain property.
- Pursuant to 36 CFR § 2.14(a)(7), gutting and cleaning of fish is prohibited in the park.

This activity is limited to this area as it is the only site with water access.

## Boating Operations

- Launching and using human-powered, non-motorized watercraft is only allowed at the Chamberlain property.
- See also 36 CFR § 3.8 for more information.

The park does not have facilities or infrastructure suitable for launching or docking motorized boats and hence to ensure for health and safety of visitors the activity is not permissible.

## Swimming

Swimming is not allowed at the Chamberlain property

The park does not monitor and cannot guarantee the quality of the water for swimming additionally there are no lifeguards on duty. This restriction is to ensure visitor health and safety.

### 36 CFR §1.6 – ACTIVITIES THAT REQUIRE A PERMIT

Activities requiring a permit are listed above under <u>Public Use Limits</u> and throughout this document under the specific 36 CFR Section that authorizes or requires the issuance of a permit.

- Typical activities requiring permits are performances, filmings, meetings, press
  conferences, weddings, ceremonies, exhibits, events, memorialization, specimen
  collection, activities that may cause an audio disturbance, and other gatherings of over
  25 people,
- Permits are required to ensure there is mutual understanding and commonly held expectations about the activities that will occur on site. Resource managers will review permit applications to ensure that cultural and natural resources will not be impaired as a result of the event. Additionally, permits are required to ensure that activities are safe and that an adequate amount of staff can be scheduled. Permits also allow park management to ensure that activities are compatible with parks purpose and goals.

To apply for a permit contact the park by letter: Anne Derousie, Historian and Special Use Permit Coordinator Women's Rights National Historical Park 136 Fall Streets Seneca Falls, NY 13148

Telephone: 315-568-0024

Or by emailing:

anne derousie@nps.gov

- Special Use Permit applications must be filed with the Superintendent or the individual designated by the Superintendent at least 10 days prior to the anticipated activity.
- The decision to grant a permit will be made on a case-by-case basis.
- Additional use and monitoring fees may be charged in accordance with established policy and procedure.
- The Permittee shall be responsible for paying the cost of preparing the permit, for all additional costs incurred in monitoring the event and for any maintenance costs arising from it.
- The Superintendent may deny or cancel any Special Use Permit application for visitor protection or if staffing is insufficient to monitor the event.
- Fees collected by the park prior to cancellation are nonrefundable in such cases.
- Activities protected by the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States are exempt from this provision, but the Superintendent may deny a Special Use Permit for such activities if there is a prior reservation for the place and time requested.
- No Special Use Permit will allow advertising, collection of fees by the Permittee on park premises, or acceptance of donations. The Permittee may not sell food or drink.
- The permit holder of a special event permit requiring power, equipment, furniture, or other items must provide their own materials and transportation for those materials.
- No permanent structures may be constructed.

- The permit holder is responsible for cleaning the special event area upon completion of the event.
- The Superintendent or his/her designee may cancel a permit for violation of the above conditions.

# 36 CFR §2.1 – PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

- (a)(5) Walking on, climbing, entering, ascending, descending, or traversing an archeological or cultural resource, monument, or statute is prohibited.
- (a)(6) Possessing, destroying, injuring, defacing, removing, digging, or disturbing a structure or its furnishing or fixtures, or other cultural or archeological resources is prohibited.

#### 36 CFR §2.3 – FISHING

(a) Fishing shall be in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State within whose exterior boundaries the park area or portion thereof is located.

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 1.5 of this document, fishing is permitted only at the Chamberlain property.

Fishing is only allowed at the Chamberlain site as it is the only site with water access.

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 2.14(a)(7), gutting and cleaning of fish is prohibited in the park.

Gutting and cleaning of fish is prohibited to ensure a clean and sanitary environment and to allow for a pleasant experience for visitors.

# 36 CFR §2.4 – WEAPONS, TRAPS AND NETS

18 U.S.C. § 930 prohibits the possession of firearms in "federal facilities", which are defined as "buildings or parts thereof owned or leased by the federal government, where federal employees are regularly present for the purpose of performing their official duties". These places are marked with signs at public entrances.

- Park visitors who can legally possess and carry firearms under federal, state, and local law are allowed to carry them in the park. The role of the responsible gun owner is to know and obey the federal, state, and local laws appropriate to the park they are visiting.
- Weapons cannot be used in the park except by authorized federal, state, or local law enforcement officers in the performance of their official duties.
- Traps and nets are not permitted in the park

### 36 CFR §2.5 – RESEARCH SPECIMENS

(a) Taking plants, fish, wildlife, rocks or minerals is prohibited except in accordance with other regulations of Chapter I of 36 CFR or pursuant to the terms and conditions of a specimen collection permit.

## 36 CFR §2.10 – CAMPING AND FOOD STORAGE

• The park is closed to camping. See also 36 CFR § 1.5 "Closures".

# 36 CFR §2.11 - PICNICKING

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 1.5 of this document, picnicking is allowed at the Chamberlain property, Declaration Park, and the benches near the Visitor's Center.

#### Conditions for Picnicking:

- There are no facilities or amenities within the park for picnicking
- Picnicking must be done on a "pack in, pack out" basis. All picnickers must pack up and carry out all their garbage and recyclables.

Picnicking is only allowed in these locations because these places will not interfere with other visitors trying to enjoy the historic sites.

#### 36 CFR §2.12 – AUDIO DISTURBANCES

- (a)(2) Operating a power saw in developed areas is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit.
- (a)(3) Operating any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine in nondeveloped areas is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit.
- (a)(4) Operating a public address system is prohibited, except in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51.

#### 36 CFR 2.13 - FIRES

## (a)(1) The lighting or maintaining of fires is prohibited

There are no areas and/or receptacles where fires are allowed and this is the minimum restriction necessary to ensure a safe environment.

### 36 CFR §2.15 - PETS

- (a)(1) Possessing pets in public buildings, public transportation vehicles, swimming beaches, and the following structures and/or areas is prohibited:
  - Pets are only allowed on the Chamberlain Property.

Pets are only allowed at the Chamberlain property because the Chamberlain property is the only place in the park that has green space and does not offer visitor services at this time. The presence of pets at the other sites may distract from visitor experience.

- This restriction does not apply to service animals accompanying persons with disabilities as defined by 28 CFR 36.104.
- (a)(2) Failing to crate, cage, or restrain on a leash a pet is prohibited.
- (a)(5) Pet excrement must be disposed of in accordance with the following conditions:
  - Pet owners must pick up and dispose of pet waste.

This is to ensure a sanitary and enjoyable experience for all visitors.

## **36 CFR §2.21 – SMOKING**

- (a) The following portions of the park, buildings, structures and/or facilities are closed to smoking as noted:
  - Smoking is prohibited in all public buildings, park offices, visitor facilities, maintenance facilities, and government vehicles.

This designation is based on Executive Order 13058, published in the August 13, 1997 Federal Register. It is also designed to protect park resources, visitor and employee health, and reduce the risk of fire.

## 36 CFR §2.22 - PROPERTY

(b)(2) Leaving property unattended, for any period of time, in or near any park building or resource is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit.

All property left unattended in violation of these conditions may be considered dangerous or threatening to park resources and may be impounded for inspection.

### 36 CFR §2.35 – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

(a)(3)(i) The following areas and facilities within the park are closed to consumption of alcoholic beverages, and/or to the possession of a bottle, can or other receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage that is open, or has been opened, or whose seal has been broken or the contents of which have been partially removed:

The entire park is closed to the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages, except pursuant to a special use permit.

The park is closed to alcohol consumption (with the exception of a permitted special event) because such activity is inappropriate considering the other uses of the park and the purpose for which the park was established and is maintained.

# 36 CFR §2.37 - NONCOMMERCIAL SOLICITING

Soliciting or demanding gifts, money, goods or services is prohibited except pursuant to the terms and conditions or a permit that has been issued under §2.50, §2.51, or §2.52.

## 36 CFR §2.38 - EXPLOSIVES

- (a) Using, possessing, storing, or transporting explosives, blasting agents or explosive materials is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit.
- (b) Using, or possessing fireworks and firecrackers is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit or in designated areas under the following conditions:

Fireworks require a permit.

### 36 CFR §2.50 - SPECIAL EVENTS

(a) Sports events, pageants, regattas, public spectator attractions, entertainments, ceremonies, and similar events are allowed, provided there is a meaningful association between the park area and the events, and the observance contributes to visitor understanding of the significance of the park area, and a permit therefor has been issued by the superintendent.

Special events require a permit.

#### **36 CFR §2.51 -- DEMONSTRATIONS**

- (b) Demonstrations of more than 25 people are allowed within park areas designated as available under paragraph (c)(2) when the superintendent has issued a permit for the activity.
- (b) Demonstrations of 25 people or less are allowed within the park areas designated as available under paragraph (c)(2). Demonstrations of more than 25 people are allowed within designated park areas when the superintendent has issued a permit for the activity.\

Permits must be submitted to the Superintendent's Office at least 10 days prior to the date desired for commencement of the activity.

(c)(2) The following locations are designated as available for demonstrations:

See Map Attachment A and B

## 36 CFR §2.52 -- SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER

- (b) The sale or distribution of printed matter by more than 25 persons is allowed within park areas designated as available under §2.51(c)(2) (see above) when the superintendent has issued a permit.
  - Permits must be submitted to the Superintendent's Office at least 10 days prior to the date desired for commencement of the activity.

The sale or distribution of printed matter by more than 25 persons in designated areas when the Superintendent has issued a permit.

## 36 CFR §2.61 – RESIDING ON FEDERAL LANDS

(a) Residing in park areas, other than on privately owned lands, is prohibited except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit lease or contract.

### 36 CFR §2.62 – MEMORIALIZATION

- (a) The installation of a monument, memorial, tablet, structure, or other commemorative installation in a park area without the authorization of the Director is prohibited.
- (b) The scattering of human ashes from cremation is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit, or in the following areas and according to the following conditions:

Unregulated scattering of remains could create an unpleasant experience for other visitors present at the site. The permit process will seek to find way that memorialization can take place in an appropriate way that does not distract from visitor experience.

#### 36 CFR §3.8 – BOATING OPERATIONS

(a)(2) & (a)(4) Launching or recovering a human-powered, non-motorized watercraft is allowed at the Chamberlain property.

The Chamberlain property is the only park site with water access. Only non-motorized watercraft are allowed. The park does not have facilities or infrastructure suitable for launching or docking motorized boats and therefore they are not allowed to ensure for health and safety of visitors.

### 36 CFR §5.1 – ADVERTISEMENTS

Commercial notices or advertisements shall not be displayed, posted, or distributed on federally owned or controlled lands within a park area unless prior written permission has been given by the Superintendent.

## 36 CFR §5.3 – BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Engaging in or soliciting any business in park areas, except in accordance with the provisions of a permit, contract, or other written agreement with the United States,

except as such may be specifically authorized under special regulations applicable to a park area, is prohibited.

#### 36 CFR §5.4 – COMMERCIAL PASSENGER-CARRYING MOTOR VEHICLES

(a) The commercial transportation of passengers by motor vehicle except as authorized under a contract or permit from the Secretary or his authorized representative is prohibited in certain parks. See §5.4(a) for more information.

## 36 CFR §5.5 – COMMERCIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

- (a) Before any motion picture may be filmed or any television production or sound track may be made by any person other than bona fide newsreel or news television personnel, written permission must first be obtained from the Superintendent.
- (b) Taking photographs of any vehicle or other articles of commerce or models for the purpose of commercial advertising without a written permit from the Superintendent is prohibited.

### 36 CFR §5.6 - COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

(b) & (c) Using commercial vehicles on government roads within park areas when such use is in no way connected with the operation of the park is generally prohibited, and requires permission or a permit from the Superintendent.

## 36 CFR §5.7 – CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS OR OTHER FACILITIES

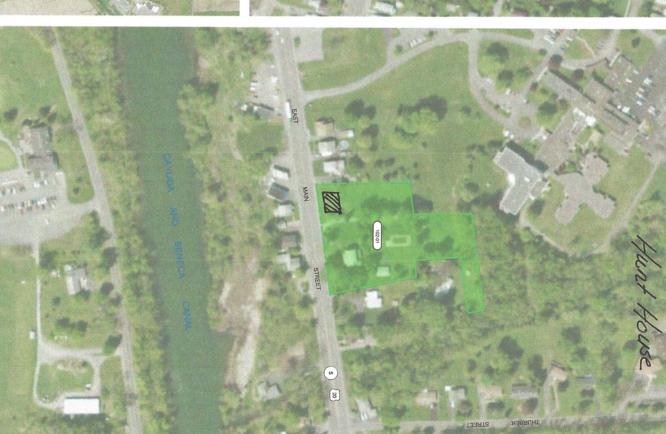
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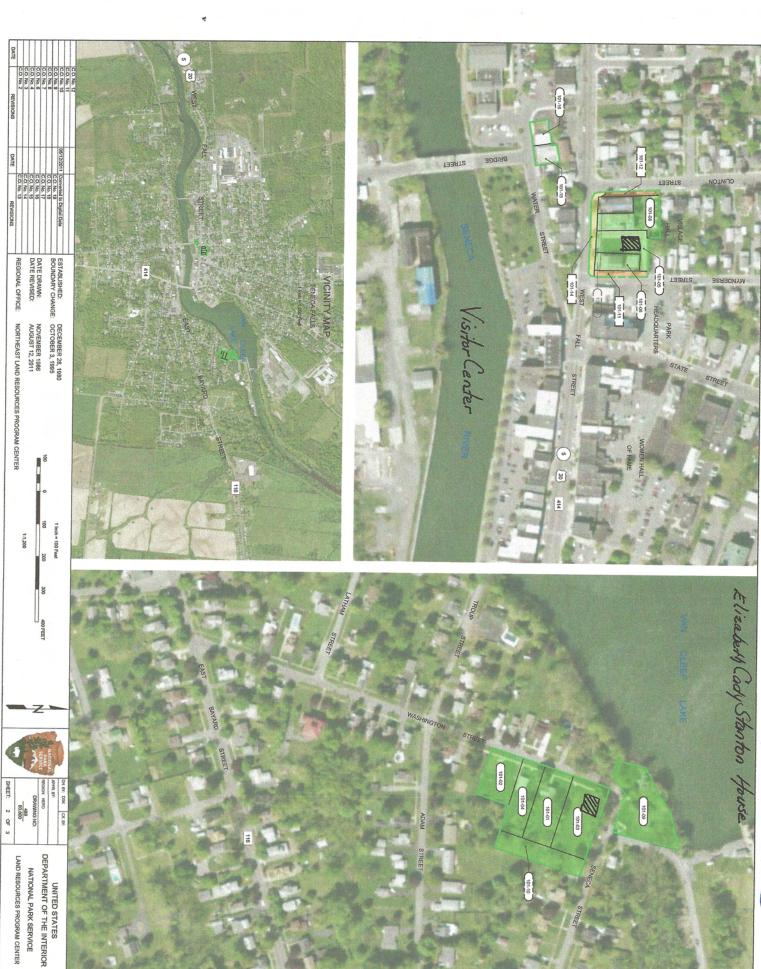




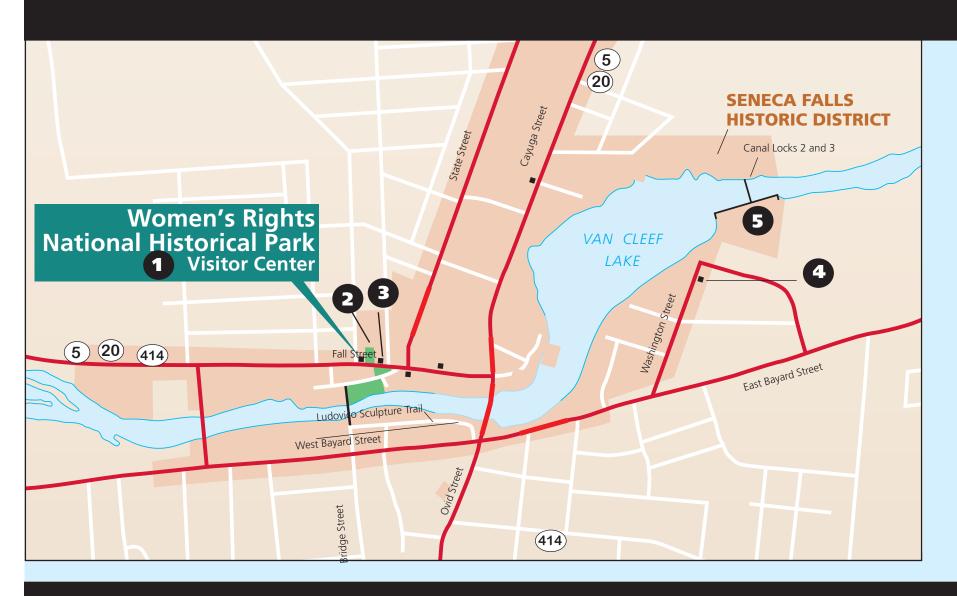


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- 1. Visitor Center
- 2. Declaration Park

- 3. Wesleyan Chapel
- 4. Stanton House

**5. Chamberlain Property** 

# Women's Rights National Historical Park Waterloo, NY



# **Planning Your Visit**

The setting for the First Women's Rights Convention and the homes of some participants are preserved at Women's Rights National Historical Park, established by Congress in 1980.

From I-90 (New York State Thruway) take exit 41; go south on NY 414; east on US 20, (becomes Fall St.); follow signs to the visitor center. There is no fee for admission.

Begin at the visitor center, 136 Fall St., open daily except fall and winter federal holidays. Hours are 9 am to 5 pm.



M'Clintock House

The M'Clintock House

was owned by the Hunts, who rented it to rela-

tives and fellow Quaker

and Thomas M'Clintock.

Convention planners met

here on July 16, 1848, to draft the Declaration of

Sentiments.

There are exhibits, a film, and a schedule of activities. The visitor center is accessible for visitors with disabilities; ask about access to the other sites. Service animals are welcome.

the home of Jane and Richard Hunt, Quakers active in the Waterloo reform community. Stanton, Mott, Wright, M'Clintock, and Jane Hunt gathered here on July 9 to plan the convention.

The Elizabeth Cady Stanton House was the family's home for 15 years. Stanton's activism was based in large part on her experiences as a Seneca Falls housewife. She was 31 years old when she moved here in 1847 with her husband Henry Stanton, a



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my higher faculties. I suffered with mental

hunger, which, like an empty stomach, is very

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**Hunt House** 

lawyer and abolitionist lecturer, and three boys. They had four more children.

Until she met Lucretia Mott and other reformers, Stanton found smalltown life oppressive: toms. For many years she dressed in an out popularized by Ameli Bloomer, loose pants and a knee-length ski which allowed freedo of movement.

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She encouraged her seven children to join parlor discussions wit visitors like the Motts and Frederick Dougla She hosted a "convention club" for young adults. Her benevoler work with the town's poor made her all the

Stanton defied many the day's housekeeping

and child-rearing cus-



Map taken from the park unigrid version 2012.

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